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<b>UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL</b> (Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b))		Attorney Docket No. <b>MSFT3 (010756.104505)</b>
		First Inventor <b>MENSCHING, Rob Martin</b>
		Title <b>SYSTEM AND METHODS FOR SHARING CONFIGURATION INFORMATION WITH MULTIPLE PROCESSES VIA SHARED MEMORY</b>
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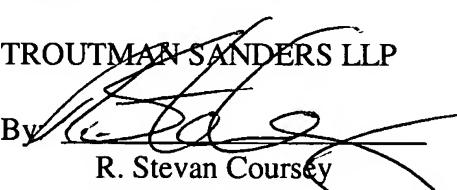
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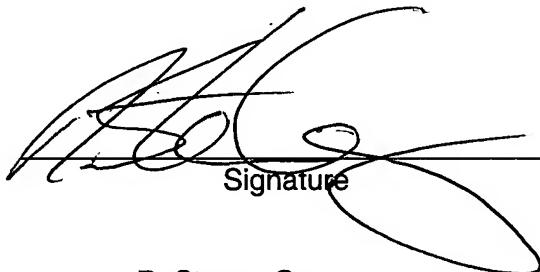
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